## <u>REMARKS</u>

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application as amended. Claims 1-20 are pending in the application. Claims 1-16 have been amended. Claims 17-20 have been added. No claims have been canceled.

Applicant has amended claim 1 to correct typographical error.

The Examiner rejected claims 4-16 under 35 U.S.C. § 1.75(c) as being improper form because a multiple dependent claim cannot depend from any other multiple dependent claim. Applicant has amended claims 4-16 so that no multiple dependent claim depends from any other multiple dependent claim. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 1.75(c) has been overcome by the amendments and the remarks. Applicant submits that claims 4-16 as amended are now in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that the objections to the claims and the abstract have been overcome by the amendments and the remarks and withdrawal of these rejections is respectfully requested. Applicants submit that Claims 1-16 as amended are in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited.

If there are any additional charges, please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any fee deficiency that may be due.

Respectfully submitted,

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